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For: IDENTIFICATION OF *CANDIDA*
ALBICANS ESSENTIAL FUNGAL
SPECIFIC GENES AND USE THEREOF
IN ANTIFUNGAL DRUG DISCOVERY

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 26, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, please consider the following remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the period of three (3) months up to and including March 28, 2005, which is the first business day following March 26, 2005.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.